

State of California

CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

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Official Ruling

Of the

Board of Stewards

SACRAMENTO HARNESS ASSOCIATION

(Association)

MAY 26, 2006

(Date)

RULING # 81

TRAINER **OSCAR THORNTON** IS HEREBY SUSPENDED UNDER ALL LICENSES HELD FOR FAILURE TO APPEAR TO ANSWER CHARGES OF ALLEGED VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULES **#1843.6, 1843(D) AND 1887** ON THE RACING OF **“DEVELISH DONNIE”**, WHO WON THE FIRST RACE NOVEMBER 23, 2005 AT CAL EXPO. **“DEVELISH DONNIE”** HAD TOTAL CARBON DIOXIDE (TCO2) LEVELS EXCEEDING THE REGULATORY LEVELS (37.0 MILLIMOLES) WHICH IS A CLASS 3 VIOLATION.

TRAINER OSCAR THORNTON ALSO FAILED TO APPEAR AT CAL EXPO MAY 17, 2006 TO ANSWER CHARGES OF ALLEGED VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE **#1874(2) & (3)** (DISORDERLY CONDUCT) FOR ABUSIVE AND AGGRESSIVE BEHAVIOR TOWARDS HENRY COOK DVM (TRACK VETERINARIAN).

FURTHER, OSCAR THORNTON IS HEREBY REFERRED TO THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD IN ACCORDANCE WITH CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE **#1529** (REFERRAL TO THE BOARD) WITH THE RECOMMENDATION THAT HE NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR REINSTATEMENT OR RELICENSING UNLESS AND UNTIL A STIPULATED AGREEMENT AS TO PENALTY IN THE ABOVE MATTERS ARE REACHED BETWEEN THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD AND OSCAR THORNTON.

DURING THE TERM OF SUSPENSION, ALL LICENSES AND LICENSE PRIVILEGES OF **OSCAR THORNTON** ARE SUSPENDED AND PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD RULE #1528 (JURISDICTION OF STEWARDS) SUBJECT IS DENIED ACCESS TO ALL PREMISES IN THIS JURISDICTION.

Trainer License #: 274534-01/08

Owner License #: 282858-01/08

Case #: 06SW-0033 & 05SW-101

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